

**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHODOLOGY FOR TESTING SPREADSHEETS**, the specification of which:

[X] is attached hereto.

[ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as  
Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

[ ] with amendments through \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)	Priority Claimed			
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	[ ]	[ ]
			Yes	No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119(e) of any United States provisional application listed below:

Provisional Application No.

60/125,414

Filing Date

March 22, 1999

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 120 of any United States application(s), or Sec. 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(App. Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status -patented, pending, etc.)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant or Patentee: Gregg Evan Rothermel, Margaret Myers Burnett and Lixin Li

Serial or Patent No.:

Filed or Issued:

For: METHODOLOGY FOR TESTING SPREADSHEETS

**DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27 (b)) INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby state that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled METHODOLOGY FOR TESTING SPREADSHEETS described in the [X] specification filed herewith

[ ] application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_,  
[ ] patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

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[X] persons, concerns or organizations listed below\*

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FULL NAME: Oregon State University  
ADDRESS: A312 Kerr Administration Building, Corvallis, Oregon 97331-2140  
[ ] individual [ ] small business concern [X] nonprofit organization

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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I, Wilson C. "Toby" Hayes, Vice President for Research, OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY, whose address is A312 Kerr Administration Building, Corvallis, Oregon 97331-2140, assignee of all right, title and interest of the above-described U.S. patent application, by the assignment submitted under separate cover for recordal (copy enclosed), represent that I am empowered to sign on behalf of assignee, OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY, as evidenced by the attached copy of the Confirmation of Agent's Authority in Connection with U.S. and Foreign Patent Applications.

As assignee of the above-identified application, all powers of attorney previously given are hereby revoked and the following attorneys and/or patent agents are hereby appointed to file a U.S. patent application based on this provisional application, to file a corresponding international application, to prosecute and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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**DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
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I hereby state that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the nonprofit organization identified below.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION Oregon State University

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TYPE OF ORGANIZATION

- University or other institution of higher education.  
 Tax exempt under IRS Code (26 USC 501(a) and 501(c)(3))  
 Nonprofit scientific or educational under statute of state of The United States of America (Name of state \_\_\_\_\_ Citation of statute \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Would qualify as tax exempt under Internal Revenue Service Code (26 USC 501(a) and 501(c)(3)) if located in The United States of America  
 Would qualify as nonprofit scientific or educational under statute of state of The United States of America if located in The United States of America (Name of state \_\_\_\_\_ Citation of statute \_\_\_\_\_)

I hereby state that the nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a non-profit organization as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(e) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code with regard to the invention entitled METHODOLOGY FOR TESTING SPREADSHEETS by inventor(s) Gregg Evan Rothermel, Margaret Myers Burnett and Lixin Li described in:

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patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the non-profit organization with regard to the above-identified invention.

If the rights held by the non-profit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a non-profit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e). \*NOTE: Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

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